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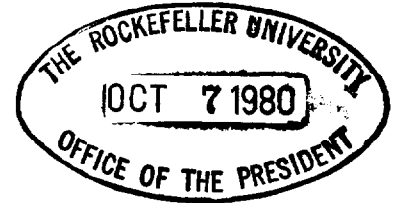
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October 6, 1980



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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

As promised in my letter of August 26 I am enclosing herewith reference materials which I hope you will find useful as background for our meeting on November 7, 1980. They are:

1. The Annual Report for 1979. Pages 7 through 9 list the members of our Advisory Committees. Not yet included is the newly-formed Committee on Reproductive Hazards in the Workplace which will have its first meeting on October 12. This group is listed separately and clipped to the Annual Report.
2. The FACTS book of 1981. This pamphlet provides an overview of the various programs now supported by the Foundation.
3. A presentation by our Vice President for Research, Dr. Samuel J. Ajl, made at the 2nd Basil O'Connor Starter Research Colloquium in Key Biscayne, Florida, November 1979. This document, to be published in Perspectives in Biology and Medicine, January 1981, presents in considerable detail the areas of basic research now supported by the March of Dimes. At the end of this review paper is an Addendum which describes the essence of the Basil O'Connor Starter Research program for young scientists and physicians.
4. A statement entitled Science in Service of Man, also by Dr. Ajl, which was presented at the Volunteer Leadership Conference in San Diego, California, November 1979. This presentation to the lay segment of our constituency not only describes our overall research program but also touches upon some ideas as to where we should go in the future.
5. A brief statement recently prepared for distribution to all those interested in the mission, objectives and program philosophy of the March of Dimes.

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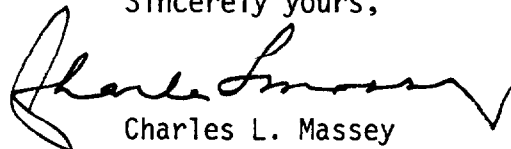
6. A statement with regard to our research program prepared by Dr. Frank A. Rose, a member of our Board of Trustees and Chairman of the Board's ad hoc research committee. I would like to call to your attention particularly, the questions raised by Dr. Rose on behalf of the committee, listed on pages 2 and 3.

I realize that a thorough review of those materials may be burdensome, but I believe they will help provide an adequate background for our deliberations.

A reservation has been made for you at the Hilton Hotel, 1335 Avenue of the Americas in New York City for arrival November 6 and departure November 8. You are required only to sign your bill on departure. The meeting will be held in Suite 537 (Lardner Suite) on the 5th floor of the Hotel. We shall convene promptly at 9 a.m. on the morning of November 7.

This may be the last written communication I will have with you prior to the meeting but if you have any questions do not hesitate to call me. I look forward to meeting with you and I am grateful for your interest in the work of the March of Dimes.

Sincerely yours,



Charles L. Massey

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Enclosures

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